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Committee (sic--Council). In those two roles, I have realized that what we have done as a way to provide coordination has just made it even more difficult for us to coordinate and it's...I think that there is an advantage to having a number of individuals who are...who care about this area, and many people do and I thank all the people who have served on these two councils over the years for their commitment and involvement. But we cannot be duplicating efforts, especially when it comes to actually making decisions and so I...I believe that this is very consistent with what Senator Schimek is doing in LB 1135. The changes will be implemented not only statutorily but organizationally, and I think it will provide us the starting place in terms of a structure that will enable us to be able to provide better services to young children who require out-of-home care. And, with that, I would urge the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR JANSSEN: (Visitors introduced.) Discussion on AM2585?
Next speaker, Mr. Clerk. Senator Byars.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Senator Janssen and colleagues. I certainly don't want to stay in the way of the intent of Senator Brown's amendment, which was LB 1231. We have had a public hearing on this legislation in the Health Committee. I think it certainly is the feeling of the Health Committee, I can't speak for my colleagues although I...they've expressed that, that we certainly want, in any way we possibly can, to try to coordinate efforts between agencies, between departments, try to be as meaningful as we can to provide effective services, effective leadership in the most efficient manner possible. Having been here and a cosponsor of the legislation when the Early Intervention Act was first adopted in 1991, I certainly, as all of you know, have been extremely involved in working with people with disabilities. And part of establishing what now would be a "supercouncil", part of the existing council now, which is referred to as NICC--the Nebraska Interagency Coordinating Council--was established to include families and individuals with disabilities, this referred to in the field as Part C of an acronym of IDEA established by Congress. I have had some concerns as I've looked at this, as this bill was introduced by Senator Brown, that possibly the language is not clear enough on the participating members of the new council. Senator Brown and